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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS CORPUS CHRISTI DIVISION

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AHMAD JEBRIL

Case: 2:08-cv-10151

Petitioner

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Judge: Battani, Marianne O Referral MJ: Binder, Charles E

VS.

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ORDER SEVERING AND TRANSFERRING CERTAIN CLAIMS

This is a civil rights action filed by a federal prisoner. He is currently incarcerated at the Federal Correctional Institution, which is located in Three Rivers, Texas.

Plaintiff names as defendants C. Eichenlaub, warden of FCI Milan in Milan, Michigan; Mukhtar Curtis, head chaplain of FCI Milan; Jodi Bradly, a captain at FCI Milan; and Agent Webber, a special investigations agent at FCI Milan in their individual and official capacities.

(D.E. 15, at 1). Plaintiff alleges that these FCI Milan defendants harassed and discriminated against him because he is a Muslim. (D.E. 12, at 5). Moreover, he alleges that he was placed in special housing unit and ultimately transferred to FCI Three Rivers in violation of his due process rights. <u>Id.</u> at 8-10.

Pursuant to Rule 21 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, "[a]ny claim against a party may be severed and proceeded with separately." A trial court has broad discretion to sever claims. Brunet v. United Gas Pipeline Co., 15 F.3d 500, 505 (5th Cir. 1994). Thus, the Court may order the severance of a claim where it will serve the ends of justice and further the prompt and efficient disposition of the litigation. See United States v. Welch, 656 F.2d 1039, 1053 (5th Cir. 1981); Wyndham Assoc. v. Bintliff, 398 F.2d 614, 618 (2d Cir. 1968). Severance may be appropriate when "the events or omissions giving rise to the severed claims occurred in another

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venue." Newton v. Stringfellow, 93 Fed. Appx. 615, 617 (5th Cir. 2004) (per curiam) (unpublished) (citing 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)). Here, the adjudication of plaintiff's claims against the FCI Milan defendants with the FCI Three Rivers defendants would be inefficient.

Additionally, the FCI Milan defendants would likely raise meritorious personal jurisdiction and venue defenses. Severance would serve the ends of justice by promoting the prompt and efficient disposition of the litigation.

A civil action wherein jurisdiction is not founded solely on diversity of citizenship may be brought in (1) a judicial district where any defendant resides, if all defendants reside in the same State, or (2) a judicial district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred. 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b). In addition, for the convenience of parties and witnesses, and in the interest of justice, a district court may transfer any civil action to any other district or division where it might have been brought. 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a).

In this case, the FCI Milan defendants are alleged to work or engage in business in Milan, Michigan and the events of which plaintiff complains occurred in Washtenaw County, Michigan. (D.E. 1). Washtenaw County lies within the Southern Division of the Eastern District of Michigan. 28 U.S.C. § 102(a)(1). Jurisdiction is proper with that court. 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).

Moreover, because plaintiff's claims stem from alleged incidents in Washtenaw County, it follows that most of the evidence, including witnesses and documentation, lie within or around that facility. In the interest of justice and for the convenience of parties and witnesses, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division, is the more convenient forum. 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a).

Accordingly, it is ordered that the clerk of the Court TRANSFER plaintiff's claims against the FCI Milan defendants to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of

Michigan, Southern Division. The Court will RETAIN plaintiff's claims against defendants Dan Joseph Higgerson on its docket.

SIGNED and ORDERED this 4th day of January, 2008.

Janis Graham Jack
United States District Judge

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U.S. District Court SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS (Corpus Christi) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 2:07-cv-00436 Internal Use Only

Jebril v. United States Of America

Assigned to: Judge Janis Graham Jack

Referred to: Magistrate Judge Brian L Owsley

Cause: 28:2241 Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (federa

Date Filed: 11/09/2007 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 530 Habeas Corpus

(General)

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government

Defendant

Petitioner

Ahmad Jebril

represented by Ahmad Jebril

#31943-039 P.O. Box 4200

Three Rivers, Tx 78071

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V.

Defendant

Agent Webber

a Special Investigation Agent at FCI Milan

Respondent

United States Of America

Respondent

Warden Dan Joslin

Three Rivers FCI

Respondent

Captain Joseph Higgerson

Three Rivers FCI

Respondent

Warden C Eichenlaub

Milan FCI - Michigan

Respondent

Head Chaplain Mukhtar Curtis

Milan FCI - Michigan

Respondent

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Captain Jodi Bradly Milan FCI - Michigan

Date Filed	#	Docket Text
11/08/2007	9 <u>1</u>	PETITION for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Filing fee \$ 5) filed by Ahmad Jebril. (Per C.D., case to be opened as a 2241)(mserpa,) (Entered: 11/09/2007)
11/08/2007	2	MOTION for Appointment of Counsel by Ahmad Jebril, filed. Motion Docket Date 11/28/2007. (mserpa,) (Entered: 11/09/2007)
11/09/2007	•	(Court only) ***Case assigned to Judge Janis Graham Jack. (mserpa,) (Entered: 11/09/2007)
11/09/2007	9 <u>3</u>	ORDER denying 2 Motion to Appoint. (Signed by Judge Brian L Owsley) Parties notified. (Ismith,) (Entered: 11/09/2007)
11/09/2007	4	NOTICE OF DEFICIENT PLEADING as to Ahmad Jebril. submit filing fee or fully completed IFP application Parties notified. Notice of Compliance due by 11/29/2007, filed. (mserpa,) (Entered: 11/09/2007)
11/09/2007	2 <u>5</u>	CLERKS NOTICE re: 1 Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus. Parties notified., filed. (mserpa,) (Entered: 11/09/2007)
11/09/2007	3 6	NOTICE of Exclusion, filed. (mserpa,) (Entered: 11/09/2007)
11/09/2007	3 <u>7</u>	
11/15/2007	•	Writ of Habeas Corpus Filing fee re: 1 Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus: \$5.00, receipt number 239170, filed. (gchavez,) (Entered: 11/16/2007)
11/19/2007	⊕ <u>8</u>	AMENDED Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus against Dan Joslin, Joseph Higgerson, C Eichenlaub, Mukhtar Curtis, Jodi Bradly filed by Ahmad Jebril. (Attachments: # 1 Cover Letter# 2 Exhibit 1# 3 Exhibit 2# 4 Exhibit 3# 5 Exhibit 4)(lcayce,) (Entered: 11/21/2007)
11/21/2007	② <u>9</u>	Letter from Ahmad Jebril re: petition, filed. (lcayce,) (Entered: 11/21/2007)
12/04/2007	3 <u>10</u>	ORDER SETTING EVIDENTIARY HEARING. Evidentiary Hearing se for 12/13/2007 at 03:00 PM before Magistrate Judge Brian L Owsley. (Signed by Judge Brian L Owsley) Parties notified.(lcayce,) (Entered: 12/05/2007)
12/06/2007	9 <u>11</u>	NOTICE TO THE COURT re: petition by Ahmad Jebril, filed. Copy of current docket sheet mailed to petitioner.(lcayce,) (Entered: 12/06/2007)
12/12/2007	3 <u>12</u>	AMENDED Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus against Dan Joslin, Joseph Higgerson, C Eichenlaub, Mukhtar Curtis, Jodi Bradly filed by

		Ahmad Jebril.(lcayce,) Additional attachment(s) added on 12/12/2007 (lcayce,). (Entered: 12/12/2007)
12/13/2007	•	Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Brian L Owsley. SPEARS HEARING held on 12/13/2007. Discussion held regarding suit filed. Appearances: Ahmad Jebril by telephone. (Digital # 3:09:45-3:23:33) (ERO:kbledsoe), filed. (kbledsoe,) (Entered: 12/14/2007)
12/18/2007	② <u>13</u>	ORDER / NOTICE OF POWER TO CONSENT.(Signed by Judge Janis Graham Jack) Parties notified.(lcayce,) (Entered: 12/19/2007)
12/21/2007	3 <u>14</u>	MOTION/APPLICATION to Proceed In Forma PauperisMotions referred to Brian L Owsley. by Ahmad Jebril, filed. Motion Docket Date 1/10/2008. (lcayce,) (Entered: 12/21/2007)
12/21/2007	● <u>15</u>	MOTION for Leave to File Amended ComplaintMotions referred to Brian L Owsley. by Ahmad Jebril, filed. Motion Docket Date 1/10/2008. (lcayce,) (Entered: 12/21/2007)
12/24/2007	→ <u>16</u>	ORDER for Initial Partial Filing Fee and Collection Order as to Ahmad Jebril; terminating 14 MOTION/APPLICATION to Proceed In Forma Pauperis. (Signed by Judge Brian L Owsley) Parties notified. Copy mailed to Inmate Accounting Officer and Paralegal Specialist - FCI Three Rivers. Copy to financial clerk GL. (lcayce,) (Entered: 12/26/2007)
12/26/2007	● <u>17</u>	ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO AMEND COMPLAINT granting 15 Motion for Leave to File.(Signed by Judge Brian L Owsley) Parties notified.(mserpa,) (Entered: 12/26/2007)
.01/02/2008	② <u>18</u>	ORDER SETTING EVIDENTARY HEARING. Evidentiary Hearing (by telephone conference) set for 1/9/2008 at 11:00 AM before Magistrate Judge Brian L Owsley. (Signed by Judge Brian L Owsley) Parties notified. (mserpa,) (Entered: 01/03/2008)
01/04/2008	● 19	ORDER SEVERING AND TRANSFERRING CERTAIN CLAIMS. Plaintiff's claims against the FCI Milan defendants are TRANSFERRED to the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division. The Court will RETAIN plaintiff's claims against defendants Dan Joslin and Joseph Higgerson on its docket (Signed by Judge Janis Graham Jack) Parties notified-cert. copy of docket sheet, transfer letter and this order to Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division by cm/rrr. (mserpa,) (Entered: 01/04/2008)

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Clerk Of The Court Southern District Court 1133 N. Shoreline Dr. Corpus Christi, TX 78401

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Michael N. Milby, Clerk of Court
Nov. 05, 2007

Dear Clerk:

I'm currently an inmate in Three Rivers FCI serving a total of 100 months on two cases of fraud and another on jury tampering with Docket #: 05-CR-80175-DT-02 and 03-80810-01.

I was appointed an attorney for both of those cases by my judge while on bond in Michigan because I could not afford one.

After serving time in Milan FCI - Michigan I was placed in the HOLE/SHU for 8 months then taken to Three Rivers, FCI here in Texas over 35 hours out of the jurisdiction they are supposed to keep me.

I was never informed why or presented with any disciplinary action which violated the elementary due process along with my civil rights in many ways.

Being this far away my ill mother can no longer visit me as well as my other family members.

After I was in the SHU/HOLE and here in Three Rivers FCI I've been taunted, tormented, harassed, targetted and discriminated against in every single way one can imagine.

They violated me and my rights as an inmate to the point that I think inmates in Abu Ghraib/Iraq and in Guwantanamo/Cuba are treated better than the LIVING HELL THE STAFF AT THREE RIVERS are putting me through.

When I complained and spoke to the officials it only made things worse!
My case manager (BARRARA) told me to hire a lawyer.

I therefore ask a lawyer be appointed for me so these violations against me stop since I cannot afford one now that I'm an inmate nor could I afford one when I was on bond in my original cases.

PLEASE HELP ME in accordance with 18 USC § 3006A(a)(2)(B) by appointing me an attorney to get the staff at Three Rivers to stop their violatic

As #o my background ... I'm a USA citizen born and raised in Dearborn, Michigan serving a 100 month sentance on fraud and jury tampering charges.

This matter is extremely urgent and I'm in desperate need of an attorney.

The situation is so bad that the staff ran me off the lunch hall and I have not been eating there for over 2 months because of the staffs harassing tactics.

Please contact me with an appointed attorney for this urgent matter or have the attorney contact me.

Sincerely

Ahmad Jebril

Inmate #: 31943²039

P O Box 4200

Three Rivers, TX 78071

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CASE LAW:

I have exhausted all prison remedies and now need to file a 28 USC 2241 motion that I need an attorney for. As well as for other possible remedies that I can only attain through counsel.

18 USC § 3006(a)(2)(B)

Adequate representation of defendants
Each U S district court with the approval of the judicial concil
of the circuit, shall place in operation throughout the district
a plan for furnishing representation for any person financially
unable to obtain adequate representation in accordance with this
section. Representation under each plan shall include counsel and
investigative, expert, and other services necessary for adequate
representation. Each plan shall provide the following:

- (2) Whenever the US magistrate judge or the court determines that the interests of justice so require, representation may be provided for any financially eligible person who-----
- (B) is seeking relief under section 2241, 2254, or 2255 of title 28.

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